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SUBJECT: SOVIET DIPLOMAT'S INTEREST IN STATE DEPARTMENT
PERSONNEL PRACTICES

1. AT DEC 15 SOVIET EMBASSY RECEPTION WHICH HE WAS HOSTING,
SOVIET EMBASSY COUNSELOR FOR CONSULAR AFFAIRS KAVALEROV
ASKED DEPTOFF ABOUT POSSIBILITY OF MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT
OFFICIALS TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL PRACTICES. KAVALEROV NOTED
THAT HIS PRECEDING ASSIGNMENT HAD BEEN TO MFA STAFFING
DIVISION, AND SAID HE RETAINS AN INTEREST IN THAT AREA. HE
EXPRESSED SPECIFIC INTEREST IN PROCEDURES FOR HIRING,
TRAINING AND PROMOTING DIPLOMATIC OFFICERS.

2. WE ARE INCLINED TO ARRANGE MEETING FOR KAVALEROV AND
ANY SOVIET EMBASSY OFFICERS WHO WOULD ACCOMPANY HIM TO
DISCUSS ABOVE TOPICS, BUT SPECIFY IN DOING SO THAT WE
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EXPECT EMBASSY MOSCOW WILL BE GRANTED COMPARABLE MEETING
WITH ANALOGOUS MFA OFFICIALS.

3. PLEASE LET US KNOW YOUR VIEWS AND COMMENTS. VANCE

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